## COMING OUR WAY.

Harris County Is Getting Right Into the Swim.

OVER A HALF MILLION INVESTMENT

And a Hundred and Twenty-five Thousand **Dollar Cotton Mill** 

TO BE LOCATED AT WEBSTER, THIS COUNTY

A Chiesgo Firm to Put Up the Plant on 18,000 or 20,000 Acres of Land,

ously for Harris county.

A deal has been consummated by which over a hair million dollar investment has been made at Webster, in the purchase of some 18,000 or 20,000 acres of land upon which it is proposed to locate a \$125,000 cotton mill plant.

Mr. Keeney is a Chicago capitalist and interested with him in his Texas enterprise is G. G. Bened at of 786 Montoe street,

The proposed new enterprise, which means so much for the development of Harris county, was disclosed through the following letter, written by Thomas F., Farmer, a well known traveling man throughout Texas, to Mr. James B. Baker

"Mr. James B. Baker, Waco, Texas.
"Chicago, December 26, —Dear Sir: Hav-ing been called to Chicago on business I dropped in to see Mr. J. F. Keeney abou the cotton mill and at the same time put in a good word for Waco and her people. Imagine my surprise when I learned that Imagine my surprise when I learned that the company hall already stranged to lo-cate the mill in Harris county and having bought some 18,000 or 20,000 acres of land, will expend something like \$500,000 to

\$800,000 in the enterprise.
"I regret very much that Waco did not

by next cotton crop.
"With a cotton mill located in Waco we

would have a city second to none.
"Yours truly. Thos. F. Farmer."

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yesterday morning at the family residence, 507 Triving street. Sixth ward, whence the funeral will take place this afternoon at 4 o'clock, with interment in Glenwood.

The immediate cause of death was inflammation of the brain; the remote cause being a wound; in the head, self-inflicted several months ago while the young man was in a state of mental aberation. This wound severed the optic nerve and though the young man had sufficiently recovered to be up and about, it was generally conceded that he would lose his sight as a result of this wound. The noise and excitement incident to Christmas affected the brain, which was likely already endangerd by the shot through the head and caused death.

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## THE LOCAL STAGE.

A Strong Presentation of Gillette's "Secret Service."

But few, if any, American authors have succeeded in giving to the public a play as strong as is William Gillette's "Secret Service," which was presented at Sweeney & Coombs' opera house last night. It is a production which not only has that much-to-be-desired tendency towards the clevative to spend the holidays with friends. tion of the stage, but also tends to make the people who witness it all the better for which is extremely rare at this day and time. It does not nicture the glorious side of the bloody struggle with which it deals; the does not portray the excitement of battile nor the deaths which soldiers meet
therein; it does not tell of men who fight
out in the open air with their comrades
around there and the inspiring scent of it does not portray the excitement of battle nor the deaths which soldiers meet therein; it does not tell of men who fight around them and the inspiring scent of battle in their nostrils. Instead of these it Masters Miller and Turner Harwood are in ted a of the dangers through which pass the scoret agents of a government in time of of the men who go into the lines of the enemy and who freely offer up their lives in the service of their country without the hope of a soldier's death when they fail in their mission, without the hope of any glory on in many cases, any reward unless it be the consciousness of work well done. And the story that "Secret Service" tells of these men is so cleverly constructed, its plot and its situations are so true to nature and the play is, withat, so intensely interesting as to furnish a perform the truesely interesting as to furnish a perform the truesely interesting as to furnish a perform the truesely interesting as to furnish a performance which leaves little or nothing to be desired even by the most captious critic. The part of the brave and chivalrous Colonel Dumont, whose character is of such a of the enemy and who friely offer up their lives in the service of their country with-out the hone of a soldier's death when they nel Dumont, whose character is of such a noble nature as to prevent him from sending out valuable information to his govetament because the power to do so has been given him by the woman he loves, who would become irretrievably involves were the to act as his duty impels him to, is one which appeals to every American in whose nature there is that innate love of game-ness and grit so characteristic of the race. ness and grit so characteristic of the race.

The play is American, every line of it, and fovernor Sayers as superintendent of the for such plays, when properly presented, this e are no substitutes.

Judge R. Y. King, recently appointed by Governor Sayers as superintendent of the Confederate home at Austin, was here from his home in Belton yesterday. the e are no substitutes.

The cast seen in last night's perform-

ance, with the exception of the three people who essay the roles formerly portrayed by Mr. Gelette, Miss Odelle Tyler and Miss Amy Busby, respectively, is exactly the same as that which gave the piece its original production in the metropolis. The "I regret very much that Waco did not get this mill. The mach nery the company intends to use is all first-class and up to date in making fabrics of all kinds. I have seen some of the goods turned out by the machinery and I am sure it is all right and equal to any cotton goods manufactured.

"Mr. Keeney told me that in several localities through Massachusetts and Rhode Island he can find first-class cotton mills which would only be glad of an opportunity." which would only be glad of an opportunity to remove to the South, and from what I can gather if some good representative citizen of Waco could make a visit to some of the 'Down East' States and submit it to some of the mills I believe Waco could have a first-class mill in operation by next cotton crop.

all times shows the results of careful and intelligent study. Miss Perry, who plays Sarah variety, who plays are the character entrustions of the Country of the character entrustic one, almost the country of the procuracy country of the character entrustic one, almost the character entrustic one, almost the country of the character entrustic one, almost t of speech common among Southern people, detract somewhat from her otherwise

A SORROWFUL LEAVE TAKING.

rick," which will be presented by Creston Clarke and Adelalde Prince on Monday afternoon. At night "The Ragged Cava-lier" will be seen.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Captain A. Faulkner is again in the city. Mr. W. B. Scott is visiting the city from

Mr. S. P. Ross of Waco registered at the Capitol yesterday.

Colonel Walter Gresham of Galveston was in the city yesterday on a business trip. having seen it, and that is something her uncle, W. H. Young, at 1810 Texas ave-

Hon. Monta J. Moore, a well known citi-zen of Cameron, was in the city on business yesterday.

Mr. E. M. Mitchell, a prominent railroad man, arrived in the city yesterday and has quarters at the Capitol.

Mr. J. F. Weed, a merchant from the thriving town of Beaumont, and well known in Houston, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. L. S. Coleman or Buffslo, N. Y., is spending a month with her daughter, Mrs. P. L. Hamblen, corner San Jacinto and Jefferson streets.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus W. Tips, Jr., returned from San Antonio last night, where they went to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. R. G. Brown of Longview was the passengers arriving on the International and Great Northern yesterday who stopped at Houston, and was seen at the Capitol. Miss Agnes McArthur of New Orleans, who attended the Z Z's annual society bail Thursday night, will remain in the city until Sunday as the guest of Mrs. Keyworth, 814 Hamilton street.

Ted Sullivan, one of the best known baseball managers in this section, passed through the city yesterday on his way from Dallas to Havana via Shreveport. He goes to Cuba to introduce the National game to the in-habitants of the Antilles.

## CITY BREVITIES.

A grass fire near the Auditorium caused a fire slarm to be turned in yesterday.

The pastor of McKee Street Methodist church also announces a watch night meeting at his oburch to see the last of the cld year and welcome in the new. All are invited and requested to assemble at 10:30 p. m.

## Grip at Wharton. Wharton.

Texas, December 30.-La grippe still claims its victims, though some of the most severe cases, owing to the skill and attention lavished on them by the physicians, are growing better; little Charlie Belton after two weeks hard fight with the mutady is gradually convalencing, Mr. J. W. Roseberry has also had a very

Mrs. Huston, the venerable mother of Messes, R. B. and G. Huston, is in Whar.

Boll Weevil Unaffected by Cold. Wharton, Texas, December 30,-In spite of the severe frosts, and the frequent times below freezing, the boll weavil is still alive end "doing well." Dr. Skinner has a very live specimen of the post on exhibition at the Crissler house; it does not seem to be the least injure? by the severe cold. The boil worm has not yet been found alive.

Fishing, Hunting and Boating. proposed Seabrook Fishing. Hunting and Boating club. A committee was appointed to prepare a charitre and formulate a plan of organization with instructions to report to stother meeting to be held Tuesday. January 2 at 5 p. m. at the pariors of the Hutching House.

RABBI G. H. LOEWENSTEIN OF TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL

Bids His Congregation Farewell of the Eve of His Departure for Other Fields.

Knowledge of the farewell service at Temple Beth Israel, including an anticipation of splendid music and the farewell lecture of Rabbi H. Loewenstein prior to his departure from his flock, drew a very large audience last night, who were pres ent to hear his last public expressions

before a Houston congregation. The services, which proved to be beautiful and impressive, with music interspersed by the choir, commenced at the time appointed, 7:30 o clock, and it appeared from the general attention and glances of expectation that it was a hervice of more than ordinary importance. The Arion Quartette, invited to particle pate, never sang in sweeter melody, as also did Miss Hughes in her solo, "I Will Extel Thee," and ocher members of the cheir. The usual service in Hebrew was read and responded to by the congrega-tion in the same language. The farewell remarks of Rubbi Loewenstein were in

iait es follows: My Friends: Five and oue-haif years ago I stood in this pulpit to deliver my inaugural address and to tell to the con-gregation of Beth Israel all my plans, my desires, my hopes. Fresh from the school bench, I came full of ideal plans which move the youth budding into manhood. I had all the necessary requisites for my chosen profession—schooling, practice and confidence—but one thing was lacking; one thing, yet the most important one was not present, but this, under the guiding hand of the members of my flock. I specially learned, and it will abide with me forever. And this thing, that necessary

quality, was experience.

I leave you with the assurance that I have gained in a little while what many people strive for all their lives and are often lowered into the silent carings of the tomb without having engaged—the wisdom of the teacher.

He is a severe master, but a never err-ng one. This experience and his lessons are more frequently derived from pain than from pleasure. But the tears wash away the suffering and leave the face dry with pleasure, and joy is his successor.

So do I appear before you tonight to express to you, my friends, my appreciation and to bid you all an affectionate farewell. My views have been altered somewhat since my college days. My have been pattered and broader to the property of the parish to be a part of the property of the parish to be a part of the property of the parish to be a part of the parish to be a pa boyish idols have been battered and bro-ken and would not know themselves were they to see their own image in the mirror of the mind. Such idols as to the place and position of the rabbi, his various duties and offices, have long since been abated by Father Time. The grand idea still prevails, but the dream is torn into a thousand fragments and their ornaments are dragged into the dust. "Truth crushed to earth will rise again" and so, too, must our ideals assume the form of truth, the principles will reassert themselves and the dream of boyhood, under the stern guidance of experience, will once mor guidance of experience, will once more jump into being and live in the eternal spring of youth, ever blossoming and bearing fruit, and yet never experiencing the loy hand of death. "The flower withereth, the grass dryeth up, but the word of God will stand forever."—Isalah xl:8.

So, my friends, it is with religion. Miniscrs may come, milisters may go, season will follow season, year, year and decade.

will follow season, year, year and decade, decade. Those who are now in the full enjoyment of youth will join the silent majority and yet in spite of all this re-ligion will persevere and be still on earth until the great judgment day shall come and man be no more. For religion is no new thing, it is not of today or of yester-day, but eternal.

your forbearaces with my faults will al-ways endear you to me and the pleasant recollections of my first charge will be a confort and a soler to me when time

For all that has been done for me I thank you, for these that I may have wilfully injured I ask forgiveness and extend to them the broad hand of fellowship. And in conclusion I invoke upon all here as-sembled the great priestly benediction which the high priest in the temple at Jerusalem called upon the assembled con-gregation: "May Go! bless you and guard you; may God make His countenance to shine upon the same and search and the same and search and s

you; may God make His countenance to shine upon you and be gracious to you; may God lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen."

After the singing a a very beautiful relection by the chois and the benediction had been pronounced in Hebrew the assemblage was about to disperse when Mr. G. W. Kidd appeared on the pulpit and offered in a few well relected remarks the hand of farewell in behalf of the Masonic order which he represented. As past venerable master of the San Jacksto lodge of Perfection No. 6 and keight commander of the court of bosor he concluded with the following lines:

the court of honor he concluded with the following lines:

"As the light of the new year illuminates the world, so may the Divine light of the Master illuminate your soul, and his choicest blessings be thine."

With this the audience was dispersed after each individual had bidden Rabbi Loowenstein a personal farewell, wishing him a sincere "godepees."

Rabbi Loowenstein will leave within the next few days for Cincinnati.

A Holiday Entertainment.

One of the prestiest and most enjoyable affairs which occurred during the holidays was given by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Holt-

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the children of the neighborhood. The chief feature of the event was a levely Bun Duny, Wm. Goleman. Christmas tree, which was not only much larger than is usually seen in a private house, but was beautifully decorated with glittering ornaments and brilliant tapers, and was literally loaded with presents appropriate to the occasion. Santa Claus was ably represented by W. G. C. Johnson, who distributed the gifts from a pack on his back with wisty and humorous remarks, which made the children laugh son, who distributed the gath and humorous re-marks, which made the children laugh right merrily. Elegant refreshments were served in a graceful and daluty style by the host and hosters, assisted by her sis-ters, Mestigmes W. E. Humphesville, J. R. ters, Mesignes W. F. Humphewille, J. R. Budersdorf and Mattle Shoemaker, Among those invited were Mr. and Mrs. W. G. C. Johnson, Mirs Joe Johnson, Mrs. S. T. Steele, Mrs. Ed Elseman. The little folks were Thirza Marston, Mabel, Irby and Katherine Steele, Willie, Blake, Susin and Cooper, Hympherville, Jimmie and Hattle. George Humphreville, Jimmie and Hattle Rudersdorf, El Eleman, Aleen Holtkamp

IRON MOULDERS' BALL. Sturdy Sons of Toll Trip Light Fantastic. Bryan Hall was the scene of gay merrinest and unbounded enjoyment last night the occasion being the second annual ball given by the Iron Moulders' union No. 259 The committee of arrangements were for ers of bunting and festoons of pine straw view with each other as they appeared hall, Mason block, at 7:30 o'clock.

Overcoat and harness thieves are still at their nefarious work. The residence of J. S. Swope was entered Thursday night and two overcoats and a lot of other clothing stolen.

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The content of the Adam and Eve stood along the story of the stage lend effugeent brightness were moment and offered our about the stage lend effugeent brightness we in this temple stood and offered our and gave life and brilliancy in addition to from of man to offer some devotion | what the forest had produced in holiday

verdure and evergreen adornment. The gueste began to arrive about 9:30 o'clock and soon after Herb's orchestra suggested the dance, which was conducted according to the following prearranged programme.

1. Grand march—waltz. 2. Schottische, 3 Lancers. 4. Two-step, 5. Polka, 6. Waltz. 7 Quadrille, 8, Schottische, 9, Polka, 10, Two step. 11. Lancers. 12. Schott che. 13 Waltz. 14. Quadville. 15. Polka. 16. Schottirche, 17. Rye waltz, 18. Lancers, 19. Two-step, 20. Galop, 21. Quadrille, 22 Waltz, 23. Schottische, 24. Medley,

joyment of which seemed all the more appreciative after coofinued exercise of dancing during the first half of the evening. Dancing however, continued till the morning hours and a splendid time was the verdict of all present.

## CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL.

By the Sunday School of the Taber ancle Methodist Church. Christmas tree at the Tabernacle Methodist church last night for the chil-

dren of the Sunday school was a very happy affair and well attended by both a full assemblage of children and parents and friends accompanying them. The tree was located in a large class room near the entrance to the church, and while not a very large one was very heavily loaded with presents at which the children gazed with presents at which the children gazed with eyes of expectancy. There were dolls nearly resect, miniature china sets and Lilliputian furniture for the girls, while the boys had pocketknives, throps, horses and wagons, drams, horne and a lot of just such toys that only Santa Claus carries in his stock, which contain an endless amount of the stock. and friends accompanying them. The tree with eyes of expectancy. Issee were done nearly research unintature china sets and Lilliputian furniture for the girls, while the boys had pocketknives, the tops, horses and wagons, drums, horne and a lot of just such toys that only Santa Claus carries in his stock, which contain an endless amount of amusement for the little ones. At an opportune mement and efter a very pretty p.ogramme cad been rendered by the chil d on, Santa Claus appeared from no one knows where, and with a short recital of his experiences began to distribute the about the stage lent effulgent brightness gifts on the tree, also bags of candy and fruit, which stood near by. After the singing of an opening hymn

the following programme was rendered Scripture lesson......Supt. J. V. Dealy Prayer......Rev. D. H. Hotchkiss, pastor Recitation ... Clyde Humphrey
Song—Angels from the Realms of
Glory ... School
Recitation ... May Bell Alexander

Recitation ... Eva Owen
Song—The First Christmas Day.
Mabel and Irby Steele and Edna Dealy
Marie Malten Song Sinta Gaus .... Eithel Gir Recitation .... Althea Hotchking 

 Valtz. 23. Schottische. 24. Medley.
 Recitation
 Althea Hotchkiss

 The committees were as follows:
 Sonz—Come Back. Old Santa.
 Schoot Recitation

 Arrangement—Wm. Hiney, chairman;
 Recitation
 Lelia Shattuck

 Recitation
 Allen Gill

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time as though the body would have go unburied, but when these obstan-were again called to the attention of C Health Officer Rutberford, he agreed accept the cartificate of the colored accept the certificate of the colored wife. Mary Porter, as to the caus death, and armed with this authority

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See our 10c Silkaline Handkerchiefs.....worth See our 25c Link Cuff Buttons.....worth See our 25c Scarfs and 4-in-Hands ..... worth See our 49c heavy Ribbed Underwear.... worth See our 25c heavy Cotton Underwear .... worth See our 25c Wool Socks.....worth See our 40c Unlaundered Shirts.....worth See our 50c Gloria Umbrellas.....worth See our 75c Gloria Umbrellas..... worth See our \$1.00 Gloria Umbrellas......worth



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